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BIENNIAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF REGENTS

OF THE

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY

FOR THE

YEARS 1881-82.

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REPORT OF BOARD OF REGENTS

OF

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY

To the Hon. J. B. Jackson,

Governor of West Virginia:

Dear Sir:—The Regents of West Virginia University have the honor to submit to you the following report for the two years ending in June, 1882:

Reports of the President, Executive Committee and Treasurer, which accompany this, furnish all the particulars in reference to the receipt and disbursement of funds. Reference is made to them to avoid needless repetition.

By reference to the catalogue of 1881-2 it will be seen that the number of students in attendance on the University is larger than it had ever been before. The total, as is shown by this catalogue, is one hundred and seventy-seven.

The Board of Regents, at its last meeting, unanimously elected Hon. Wm. L. Wilson, of Charlestown, W. Va., to the position of President. Mr. Wilson has entered upon the discharge of his duties, and has given entire satisfaction.

The Board regret to announce the death of H. W. Brock, M. D., Professor of Anatomy, Physiology and Hygiene. At the time of his death Dr. Brock was a member of the Board of Regents for the Tenth Senatorial District, and also Secretary of the Board. In his death the Faculty has lost an earnest and efficient worker, the Board a faithful and wise counselor, and the University a devoted friend.

The Board at its last meeting elected as the successor of Dr. Brock, B. W. Allen, M. D., of the city of Wheeling, a gentleman of eminent ability and ripe experience both as a physician and teacher. Dr. Allen entered upon the discharge of the duties of his chair at the beginning of the scholastic year of 1882-3.

On account of the pressing demand for more thorough work in the schools of law and medicine, the Board at its last session required the studies and lectures in these schools to be continued throughout the collegiate year.

The Board has likewise thought it best to abolish the curriculum and adopt the plan of a university proper, and this plan is, during the present session, in a successful working condition.

The following is a statement of minimum amounts necessary for various funds, and essential to the proper working of the institution for the year ending in June, 1883, viz:

For salaries of professors		$18,800 00
For current and contingent expenses (C. F. items below)		4,000 00
For regents' expenses		550 00
For library		1,000 00
For repairs and improvements aside from current and contingent fund		500 00
		$24,850 00
Less interest on endowment	$6,387 21	
Less tuition fees	1,645 00	
		8,032 21
Balance of appropriation required		$16,817 79

Appropriations needed for the year ending in June, 1884:

For salaries of professors		$18,800 00
For current contingent expenses		4,000 00
For regents' expenses		550 00
For library		1,000 00
For repairs and improvements aside from current and contingent fund		500 00
		$24,850 00
Less interest on endowment fund	$6,387 21	
Less tuition fees	1,645 00	
		8,032 21
Balance of appropriation required		$16,817 79

Itemized statement of demands upon current and contingent expense fund for each year:

Amount required	$4,000 00

EXPENDITURES.

Janitor's salary	$540 00
Books for cadets as provided by law	750 00
Fuel and repairs on furnaces	250 00
Repairs on buildings and furniture	325 00
Repairs of fencing, walks and keeping grounds in order	225 00
Laboratory current supplies	200 00
Regents' prizes	40 00
Advertising	350 00
Freight and express charges	50 00
Miscellaneous military supplies, oil, brooms, crayons, repairs on board walk, cleaning buildings, repairs on delapidated fences, etc., etc	1,270 00
	$4,000 00

Large buildings such as those of the University, necessarily require a considerable yearly outlay for unforeseen and accidental expenses.

The present scholastic year has opened under the most flattering auspices. One hundred and thirty-eight students have entered the University since the beginning of the term in September last. This is a larger number than has ever been present during the fall term of any year since the foundation of the institution, thus showing the gradual increasing popularity of the University.

The Board of Regents very much regret that because of the lack of funds, they have not been able to place the University in the advanced position which the progress of the age demands. They believe, that in the rapid development of science and the mechanic arts—in the effort to secure the economy of force and the utility of labor,—West Virginia should be content with no secondary position. We therefore ask the Legislature to place at the disposal of the Board such funds as may be necessary to secure these objects; and in this connection, the earnest attention of your Excellency and the Legislature are called to the accompanying communications of President Wilson in regard to the needs of the University. The earnest purpose and eminent ability which he brings to the chief executive office of the University, should commend his suggestions and recommendations to the most favorable consideration.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board of Regents.

D. D. JOHNSON,
President.

R. C. BERKELY,
Secretary.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

To the Regents of The West Virginia University :

The Executive Committee would respectfully submit the following report, showing the balance in the hands of the Treasurer at date of their last report, rendered June 3, 1880, and all receipts and disbursements since that date to date hereof.

Summary of Balances.

(Shown by last report, June 3, 1880.)

1880 June 3	By insurance fund		$ 121 25
	By salary of teachers fund		440 31
	By library fund		316 67
	By painting tin roof fund		123 75
	By current and contingent expense fund		955 70
	By endowment, not permanently invested		653 50
	To furniture fund (overdrawn)	$ 62 19	
	To balance (in hands of treasury)	2,548 99	
		$2,611 18	$2,611 18

Salary of Teachers Fund.

1880			
June 3	By balance		$ 440 31
October 1	By draft on State auditor		3,300 00
1881			
March 18	By draft on State auditor		3,000 00
May 2	By draft on State auditor		2,200 00
	By interest on endowment to date		6,469 21
	By tuition and contingent fees $1,458 85; Less ⅔ of contingent fee placed to credit library fund 232.00		1 226 85
June 1	To salaries paid to date	$16,018 45	
	To Balance	617 92	
		$16,636 37	$16,636 37

NOTE.

There will be due and payable on account of teacher's salaries for the current school year at its close, according to estimate made by Executive Committee	$ 3,779 24	
To pay which there will be available, viz:		
Balance to credit of Teacher's Salary Fund, as above		$ 617 92
July interest on $103,000. Currency 6 per cent. bonds		3,090 00
August interest on $5,000, 5 per cent bonds		62 50
Leaving a deficiency of		8 82
Total	$ 3,779 24	$ 3,779 24

Current and Contingent Expense Fund.

1880			
June 3	By balance		$ 955 70
	By W. O. Ison, Sup't, from sale of hay		10 00
1881			
March 18	By draft on State Auditor		1,000 00
April 7	By draft on State Auditor		500 00
May 2	By draft on State Auditor		1,550 00
June 1	To disbursements to date as follows:		
	Salary of janitor	$ 520 81	
	Repairs and improvements of buildings and grounds	407 24	
	Fuel and repairs of furnaces	259 45	
	Advertising	346 25	
	Chemicals, &c, for labratory	209 09	
	Postage	41 91	
	Books for cadets	525 00	
	Ammunition, &c., military department	22 63	
	Telegrapy, for supplies	10 55	
	Expense of lectures	27 50	
	Balance due Kleves, Kraft & Co. on account of construction of new University hall	220 38	
	Commencement exercises, Regents' prizes (two years)	80 00	
	Furniture fund	62 19	
	Miscellaneous expenses	228 03	
	By balance	1,054 67	
	Total	$ 4 015 70	$ 4,015 70

NOTE.—The balance to the credit of the Current and Contingent Expense Fund of $1,054 67, as shown above, will be exhausted by charges for advertising, books for cadets, janitor's salary, fuel, repairs and cleansing buildings and miscellaneous expenditures before another appropriation can be made available.

Library Fund.

1880			
June 3	By balance		$ 316 67
	By two-thirds Contingent Fee (scholastic year		232 00
1881			
May 2	By draft on Auditor		300 00
May 26	By library fines		5 65
June 1	To disbursements to date	$ 77 80	
	To balance	776 52	
	Total	$ 854 32	$ 854 32

NOTE.—The expenditure of the balance to the credit of the Library Fund has been reserved until the fall term in order to give the Library Committee time to make a more judicious selection of books.

Painting Tin Roof Fund.

1880 June 3	By balance		$ 123 75
1881 June 1	To balance	$ 123 75	
	Total	$ 123 75	$ 123 75

Furniture Fund.

1880 June 3	To balance	$ 62 19	
1881 June 1	By Current and Contingent Expense Fund		$ 62 19
	Total	$ 62 19	$ 62 19

Insurance Fund.

1880 June 3	By balance		$ 121 25
1881 June 1	To balance	$ 121 25	
	Total	$ 121 25	$ 121 25

Regents' Expense Fund.

1880 June 15	By draft on Auditor		$ 89 31
June 15	By draft on Auditor		500 00
1881 June 1	To disbursements to date	$ 555 60	
June 1	To balance	33 71	
	Total	$ 589 31	$ 589 31

**Endowment.*

1880 June 3	By balance		$ 653 50
1881 June 1	To balance	$ 653 50	
	Total	$ 653 50	$ 653 50

*Not permanently invested.

Summary of Balances.

1881 June 1	By salary of Teacher's Fund		$ 617 92
	By Current and Contingent Expense Fund		1,054 67
	By Library Fund		776 52
	By Painting Tin Roof Fund		123 75
	By Insurance Fund		121 25
	By Regents' Expense Fund		33 71
	By Endowment (not permanently invested)		653 50
	To balance	$ 3,381 32	
	Total	$ 3,381 32	$ 3,381 32

The books of accounts, records and vouches of the Committee are herewith submitted for your inspection.

By order of the Executive Committee.

JOHN I. HARVEY,
Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 1880-81.

To the Honorable, the Board of Regents of the West Virginia University:

GENTLEMEN:—As acting President, I have the honor to submit to you the annual report for the year 1880–81:

It will be observed from the catalogue, (a copy of which accompanies this report as a part of the same) that the year just closing has been one of unusual prosperity. There have been enrolled in the various departments, one hundred and sixty-two students,—the greatest number, with a single exception, ever attained in the history of the University. It is also gratifying to know that twenty-eight counties of the State are represented in the school—a number greater, it is believed, than ever before.

In good deportment, manly bearing and devotion to study, the students now in attendance compare favorably with any of their predecessors.

As a part of this report, I submit reports from the several Professors relative to the departments over which they respectively preside. Special attention is called to the suggestions therein contained.

The unprecedented growth of the Preparatory Department is worthy of particular mention. The thorough, conscientious work done by Prof. Lorentz and his assistants, is deservedly becoming more and more popular. No less than ninety-six students have been enrolled during the year. The number during the Spring Term is larger than at any previous time. I fully concur in the statement of the principal, that if this attendance shall be sustained, the coming year will demand some addition to the teaching force of this departmeet.

I likewise concur in the request of Prof. Berkeley, that his lecture-room be furnished with latin and greek lexicons, also in that of Prof. White for a horizon glass and wall charts. The Department of Chemistry and Physics is also in great need. I heartily approve of Prof. Latham's requests in this matter, as also of his suggestion, that an extra-curriculum chemistry course be authorized, provided this arrangement shall not in any way, interfere with the studies of other chairs as already placed in the curriculum.

Prof. White's desire to be relieved of the studies in astronomy and mechanics seems to me to be eminently natural and proper. I am sure, morever, that a re-arrangement of these studies can be so effected as to save the University several hundred dollars annually. There are other considerations that seem to render action in this matter both important and urgent.

The Military Department of the University is in a very healthy and prosperous condition. Great credit is due to Major Lee for the earnest, wise and successful manner in which he has discharged the difficult duties imposed upon him at the last annual meeting of the Board. Without detracting from other interests, he has added much to the spirit and efficiency of the corps of cadets. This department, however, is in great need sf artillery, ammunition, swords, sabres,

&c., for the procuring of which I most respectfully but earnestly ask you to make provision.

Dr. Brock earnestly desires you to take some steps looking to the enlargement of the Medical Department, and the conferring of Medical degrees at the University. In view of the recent action of the Legislature, concerning the practice of medicine in West Virginia, and of the increasing demand for the highest medical culture at the University, and of the prospect that arrangements can be made for meeting this demand at comparative little additional cost, it does seem to be wise to make an effort in this direction at once. I am very sure that the power to confer the degree of Doctor of in Medicine would greatly increase the patronage of the University.

The Library has received some donations during the year. Very little has been done by way of purchasing books. We have over seven hundred dollars now on hand for that purpose, but have deferred investing it until the summer vacation, when relief from the pressing duties of the lecture and class room will insure a more intelligent and careful selection of books than would now be possible.

It is proper, perhaps, to make official mention of the good effects of admitting Ministerial students to the University free. The wisdom of this action on the part of the Board of Regents has been fully demonstrated by the introduction of some twelve or fifteen of these students, whose prescence at the University is noticeably beneficial in all that is good and worthy of imitation. These results are specially gratifying to all who believe in the moral nature of man, and value character above culture.

Messrs. Thos. E. Hodges, Wm. M. Hyland, and Howard N. Ogden, having satisfactorily completed the studies of the Literary Department of the University, are by vote of the Faculty recommended to receive the Degree of Bachelor of Arts at your hands.

The Faculty also recommend that the Master's degree be conferred upon the surviving members of the class of 1878, viz: Alston G. Dayton, James M. Lee, Benjamin S. Morgan, Enoch J. Marsh, and Daniel Rich.

Alpheus F. Courtney, a member of this class, has recently passed away from the activities of this world, but he leaves behind him the enduring fragrance of a fair name and a noble life.

Respectfully submitted,

D. B. PURINTON,
Acting President West Virginia University.

MORGANTOWN, June 3, 1881.

TREASURER'S REPORT, 1880-81.

A. W. Lorentz, Treasurer, in Account with the West Virginia University.

1880		DR.	
June	1,	To balance on hand at last report	$ 2,548 99
June	18,	To draft on Auditor, Regents' expenses	589 31
July	6,	To interest on $103,000, Currency 6s	3,090 00
August	9,	To interest on $5,000, 5 per cent. U. S. Bonds	62 50

Sept.	18,	To cash received from W. O. Ison (sale of hay)	10 00
October	5,	To draft on the Auditor (salary fund)	3,300 00
Nov.	2,	To interest on $5,000, 5 per cent. U. S. Bonds	62 50
1881			
January	3,	To interest on $103,000, Currency 6s	3,090 00
Feb.	5,	To interest on $5,000, U. S. Bonds	62 50
March	19,	To draft on Auditor (salary fund)	3,000 00
March	19,	To draft on Auditor (C. & C. fund)	1,000 00
April	8,	To draft on Auditor (C. & C. fund)	500 00
May	3,	To draft on Auditor (salary fund)	2,200 00
May	3,	To draft on Auditor (C. & C. fund)	1,550 00
May	3,	To draft on Auditor (library fund)	300 00
May	3,	To interest on $5,000, U. S. Bonds, 3 per cent	62 50
May	26,	To cash received from John I. Harvey, Librarian	5 65
May	26,	To interest on $653 50, part of endowment, one year	39 21
May	26,	To tuition for year ending June 9, 1881	1,458 85
			$ 22,932 01

1880 Cr.

June	4,	By order No. 156, H. W. Brock	$ 40 00
June	4,	By order No. 157, A. W. Lorentz	25 00
June	16,	By order No. 158, E. Shisler	9 00
June	16,	By order No. 159, Wm. Utt	34 75
June	16,	By order No. 160, I. B. Harris	1 25
June	36,	By order No. 161, A. W. Lorentz	90
June	16,	By order No. 162, A. W. Lorentz	375 35
June	16,	By order No 163, Peter Forsythe	24 00
June	16,	By order No. 164, Hugh Madera	21 50
June	19,	By order No. 165, E. C. Lazier	1 85
June	19,	By order No. 166, E. Price	1 50
June	19,	By order No. 167, H. W. Brock	9 10
June	19,	By order No. 168, H. W. Brock	15 00
June	19,	By order No. 169, J. S. Stewart	50
June	19,	By order No 170, Wm. Danser	62 50
June	16,	By order No 171, John I. Harvey	334 25
June	21,	By order No. 172, R. C. Berkeley	1 74
June	21,	By order No. 173, J. R. Thompson	128 24
June	21,	By order No. 174, F. S. Lyon	336 37
June	21,	By order No. 175, R. C. Berkeley	325 65
June	21,	By order No. 176, John I. Harvey	314 42
June	21,	By order No. 177, I. C. White	314 41
June	21,	By order No. 178, D. B. Purinton	314 42
June	21,	By order No. 179, A. W. Lorentz	314 43
June	21,	By order No. 180, W. O. Ison	291 67
June	21,	By order No. 181. J. S. Stewart	213 54
June	21,	By order No. 182, H. W. Brock	346 50
June	21,	By order No, 183, St. G. T. Brooke	330 01
June	21,	By order No. 184, J. B. Merrett	33 69
July	15,	By order No. 185, J. R Thompson	128 34
Aug.	12,	By order No. 186, H. B. Lazier	12 25
Aug.	12,	By order No. 187, E Price	5 00
Aug.	12,	By order No. 188, Thomas Watkins	15 00
Aug.	12,	By order No. 189, Wm. Price	15 63
Aug.	12,	By order No 190, A Sheets	1 50
Aug.	12,	By order No. 191, John I. Harvey	1 23
Aug.	12,	By order No. 192, Dolly Lewis	5 00
Aug.	12,	By order No. 193, Miss Nancy Snider	5 00
Aug.	12,	By order No. 194, H. W. Estes	2 50
Aug.	17,	By order No. 195, J. R. Thompson	128 34
Aug.	23,	By order No. 196, James Wright	31 29
Aug.	23,	By order No. 197, W. L. Morgan	1 25
Aug.	23,	By order No. 198, James M. Bell	24 00
Sept.	1,	By order No. 199, J. R. Thompson	64 18

Sept.	18, By order No. 200, W. C. Kelly	5 00
Sept.	18, By order No. 201, W. W. Derring	6 63
Sept.	18, By order No. 202, W. O Ison	1 81
Sept.	18, By order No. 203, J. B. Merrell	10 55
Sept.	18, By order No. 204, George A Lees	37 50
Sept.	18, By order No. 205, Wm. Danser	83 33
Oct.	4, By order No. 206, J. R. Thompson	134 18
Oct.	4, By order No. 207, F. S. Lyon	100 63
Oct.	4, By order No. 208, R. C. Berkeley	97 27
Oct.	4, By order No. 209, John I. Harvey	93 92
Oct.	4, By order No. 210, I. C. White	93 92
Oct.	4, By order No. 211, D. B. Purinton	93 92
Oct.	4, By order No 212, A. W. Lorentz	93 92
Oct.	4, By order No. 213, J. S. Stewart	63 54
Oct.	4, By order No. 214, H. W. Brock	103 50
Oct.	4, By order No. 215, St G. T. Brooke	98 58
Oct.	4, By order No. 216, J. B Merrell	10 07
Oct	4, By order No. 217, J. R. Thompson	166 67
Oct.	4, By order No. 218, F. S. Lyon	125 00
Oct.	4, By order No. 219, R. C. Berkeley	120 83
Oct.	4, By order No. 220, John I. Harvey	120 83
Oct.	4, By order No. 221, I. C, White	116 67
Oct.	4, By order No 222, W. Latham, Jr	116 67
Oct.	4, By order No. 223, D. B. Purinton	116 67
Oct.	4, By order No. 224, A. W. Lorentz	116 67
Oct.	4, By order No. 225, J. M. Lee	83 33
Oct.	4, By order No. 226, J.S. Stewart	79 17
Oct.	4, By order No. 227, J. B. Merrill	12 50
Oct.	4, By order No. 228, Wm. Danser	41 67
Oct.	4. By order No. 229, J. S. Stewart	175 00
Nov	1, By order No. 230, John R. Thompson	166 67
Nov.	1, By order No. 231, John R. Thompson	12 75
Nov.	1, By order No, 232, F. S. Lyon	125 00
Nov.	1, By order No 233, R. C. Berkeley	120 83
Nov.	1, By order No. 234, John I. Harvey	120 84
Nov	1, By order No. 235, D. B. Purinton	116 67
Nov.	1, By order No. 236, W. Latham, Jr	116 67
Nov.	1, By order No. 237, A. W. Lorentz	116 66
Nov.	1, By order No. 238, J. M. Lee	83 33
Nov.	1, By order No. 239, J. S. Stewart	79 17
Nov.	1, By order No. 240, J. B. Merrell	12 50
Nov.	1, By order No. 241, Thos. Marstellar	6 75
Nov.	1, By order No 242, Preston Heddrick	3 45
Nov.	1, By order No. 243, Aaron Smith	9 00
Nov.	1, By order No. 244, Robert Odbert	3 12
Dec.	6, By order No. 245, J. R. Thompson	166 66
Dec.	6, By order No. 246, F. S. Lyon	125 00
Dec.	6, By order No. 247, R. C. Berkeley	120 84
Dec.	6, By order No. 248, John I. Harvey	120 83
Dec.	6, By order No. 249, I. C. White	116 68
Dec.	6, By order No. 250, D. B. Purinton	116 67
Dec.	6, By order No. 251, W. Latham, Jr	116 67
Dec.	6, By order No. 252, A. W. Lorentz	116 66
Dec.	6, By order No 253, J. M. Lee	83 34
Dec.	6, By order No. 254, J. S. Stewart	79 16
Dec.	6, By order No. 255, J. S. Stewart	1 48
Dec	6, By order No. 256, J. B. Merrill	12 50
Dec.	6, By order No. 257, Wm. Danser.	83 33
Dec.	6, By order No. 258, E. C. Lazier.	11 20
Dec.	6, By order No. 259, Hugh Madera	1 50
Dec.	6, By order No. 260, H. W. Estes	18 00
Dec.	6, By order No. 261, H. W. McGeorge	1 37

Dec. 10,	By order No 262, John J. Harvey	67 10
Dec. 18,	By order No. 263, I. C. White	29 47
1881.		
Jan. 3,	By order No. 264, J. R. Thompson	166 67
Jan. 3,	By order No. 265, I. C White	116 67
Jan. 3,	By order No. 266, F. S Lyon	125 00
Jan. 3,	By order No. 267, R. C. Berkeley	120 83
Jan. 3,	By order No. 268, John I. Harvey	120 83
Jan. 3,	By order No. 269, D. B. Purinton	116 67
Jan. 3,	By order No. 270, W. Latham, Jr	116 67
Jan. 3,	By order No. 271, St. G. T. Brooke	166 66
Jan. 3,	By order No. 272, A. W. Lorentz	116 67
Jan. 3,	By order No. 273, J. S. Stewart	79 17
Jan. 3,	By order No. 274, J. M. Lee	83 33
Jan. 3,	By order No. 275, Klieves, Kraft & Co	220 38
Feb. 7,	By order No. 276, J. R. Thompson	166 66
Feb. 7,	By order No. 277, F. S. Lyon	125 00
Feb. 7,	By order No. 278, R. C. Berkeley	120 83
Feb. 7,	By order No. 279, John I Harvey	120 84
Feb. 7,	By order No 230, I. C. White	116 66
Feb. 7,	By order No. 281, D. B. Purinton	116 67
Feb. 7,	By order No. 282, W. Latham, Jr	116 67
Feb. 7,	By order No. 283. St. G T. Brooke.	166 67
Feb. 7,	By order No. 284 J. M. Lee	83 33
Feb. 7,	By order No. 285, J. S. Stewart	79 16
Feb. 7,	By order No. 286, Wm. Danser	83 33
Feb. 7,	By order No. 287, E. W. Lazier	3 15
Feb. 7,	By order No. 288, W. W. Denny	81
March 7,	By order No. 289. John R. Thompson	233 32
March 7,	By order No 290, John R. Thompson	18 75
March 7,	By order No. 291, John R. Thompson	5 50
March 7,	By order No 292, F. S. Lyon	125 00
March 7,	By order No. 293, R. C. Berkeley	120 84
March 7,	By order No. 294, John I. Harvey	120 83
March 7,	By order No. 295, I. C. White	116 66
March 7,	By order No 296, D. B. Purinton	116 66
March 7,	By order No 297, W. Latham, Jr.	116 66
March 7,	By order No. 298, St. G. T. Brooke	116 66
March 7,	By order No. 299, A. W. Lorentz	223 33
March 7,	By order No. 300, J. W. Lee	83 34
March 7,	By order No 301, J Stewart	79 17
March 7,	By order No. 302, A. W. Lorentz	18 60
April 4,	By order No. 303, D. B. Purinton	149 66
April 4,	By order No. 304, F S. Lyon	116 66
April 4,	By order No. 305, R. C. Berkeley	120 83
April 4,	By order No. 306, John I. Harvey	120 84
April 4,	By order No. 307, W. Latham, Jr	116 67
April 4,	By order No. 308, A. W. Lorentz	116 66
April 4,	By order No. 309, H. W. Brock	500 00
April 4,	By order No. 310, St. G. T. Brooke	166 66
April 4,	By order No. 311, Jas. M. Lee	83 33
April 4,	By order No. 312, J. S. Stewart	79 16
April 4,	By order No 313, J. B Merrill	25 00
April 4,	By order No. 314, Wm Danser	83 33
April 4,	By order No. 315, J. S. Stewart	350 00
April 4,	By order No. 316, F. S. Lyon	1 32
April 4,	By order No. 317, D. B. Purinton	1 40
April 4,	By order No. 318, J. S. Stewart	1 36
April 4,	By order No. 319, A. W. Lorentz	8 00
April 4,	By order No 320, James M. Lee	4 90
April 4,	By order No. 321, H. B. Lazier & Co	197 34
April 4,	By order No. 322, H. B. Lazier & Co	13 35

April	4, By order No. 323, E. Shisler	62 50
April	4, By order No. 324, E. Shisler	64 51
April	4, By order No. 325, Meeks & Chadwick	30 10
April	4, By order No 326, H S. Hayes	5 00
April	4, By order No. 327, E. Price.	7 00
April	4, By order No 328, M Hayes	13 50
April	4, By order No. 329, J. E. Fleming	1 50
April	4, By order No. 330, D. G Thompson	1 50
April	4, By order No 331, G. W. Smith	7 75
April	4, By order No 332, F. H. St. Clair	5 00
April	4, By order No. 333, D. W. Harner	14 02
April	4, By order No. 334, J. W. Danser	1 50
April	4, By order No. 335, N. H. McGeorge	2 75
April	4, By order No. 336, Thomas Marsteller	6 80
April	4. By order No. 337, Biggs Danser	2 50
May	2, By order No. 338, D. B. Purinton	166 66
May	2, By order No 339, F. S. Lyon	116 66
May	2, By order No. 340, F. S. Lyon	9 00
May	2, By order No. 341, R C. Berkeley	2 70
May	2, By order No. 342, R. C. Berkeley	120 84
May	2, By order No. 343, John I. Harvey	120 83
May	2, By order No 344, John I Harvey	1 95
May	2, By order No. 345, I. C. White	233 33
May	2, By order No. 346, W. Latham, Jr	116 66
May	2, By order No. 347, St. G. Brooke	166 66
May	2, By order No. 348, A. W. Lorentz	116 66
May	2, By order No. 349, J. S. Stewart	79 17
May	2, By order No 350, J. M. Lee	83 33
May	2. By order No. 351, J. M. Lee	10 04
May	2, By order No. 352, Wm. Dauser	41 66
May	2, By order No. 353, J. N. Pickenpaugh	4 35
May	2, By order No. 354, A. E. Lazier	25
May	2, By order No. 355, H B Lazier & Co	8 65
May	2, By order No. 356, H. B Lazier & Co	35 16
May	28, By order No. 357, D B Purinton	7 03
May	28, By order No. 358, D. B Purinton	35 00
May	28, By order No 359, D B Purinton	166 67
May	28, By order No 360, F S. Lyon	116 67
May	28, By order No 361, R C. Berkeley	120 83
May	28, By order No 362, John I Harvey	120 83
May	28, By order No. 363, I. C. White.	2 25
May	28, By order No. 364, I. C White	116 67
May	28, By order No. 365, W. Latham, Jr.	116 66
May	28, By order No 366, A. W. Lorentz.	4 00
May	28, By order No. 367, A. W. Lorentz	122 50
May	28, By order No. 368, A. W. Lorentz	116 66
May	28, By order No. 369, J. M. Lee	4 62
May	28, By order No. 370, J. M. Lee	83 34
May	28, By order No. 371, J. S. Stewart	79 17
May	28, By order No. 372, W. Danser	41 66
May	28, By order No 373, T. J. Meeks	142 35
May	28, By order No. 374, R. R Odbert	12 38
May	28, By order No. 375, James T. Turner	20 63
May	28, By order No. 376, E. Sluster	18 78
May	28, By order No. 377, George A Sees	9 65
May	28, By order No 378, W. C. McGrew	3 40
May	28, By order No 379, Lazear, Funnell & Co	5 05
May	28, By order No 380, G W. John & Co	2 25
May	28, By order No 381, W. C. Snodgrass	12 00
May	28, By order No. 382, D Chadwick & Co	4 97
May	28, By order No. 383, Dr. H. W. Brock	40 00
June	3, By total disbursements to date	$ 19,503 18
	By total receipts to date	$ 22,932 01
	Balance on hand	3,428 83

To the Board of Regents of the West Virginia University:

I have the honor to submit the foregoing report of all moneys received and disbursed by me as Treasurer of the West Virginia University, for the year ending June 9th, 1881.

Respectfully,

A. W. LORENTZ,
Treasurer.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 1881-2.

To the Honorable Board of Regents of West Viginia University:

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit to you my second annual report as Acting President of the University.

The year 1881-2 has been one of unparallel prosperity to the University. By reference to the catalogue (a copy of which, marked "Collateral A," is herewith submitted as a part of this report) it will be seen that the number of students enrolled (177) is greater than that ever obtained in the history of the University hitherto; that the higher classes are filling up; and that thirty counties of the State—a larger number than heretofore, are represented in the enrollment. The moral tone of the school is good, the industry, ambition and enthusiasm of the students are greater than ever before, and the work in general is harmonious and satisfactory. From a personal acquaintance with the University from the beginning, I can safely say that its condition and prospects were never better than at present.

Your attention is called to the accompanying report (marked "Collateral B") presented by Major J. M. Lee, Commandant of Cadets, and your favorable consideration of the recommendations therein contained is respectfully solicited.

It is with great sorrow that I announce to you the death of Prof. Hugh W. Brock, M. D., which took place April 24, 1882.

The vacancy thus occasioned has been temporarily filled by the appointment of L. S. Brock, M. D., a brother of the deceased, as acting professor of anatomy, physiology and hygiene. Dr. Brock has discharged the duties thus unexpectedly imposed upon him, with marked ability and success. Permit me most respectfully and earnestly to recommend that he be continued in this position, for which he has already developed peculiar fitness. His report (marked "Collateral C") is herewith submitted.

Since my last report, the Library of the University has been increased by the purchase of more than six hundred volumes—most of them of great value. The Library Hall is becoming inadequate for the books as now arranged. The catalogue of books made some years ago, is very incomplete and almost entirely valueless. In view of these facts, the librarian earnestly requests that beeks be entirely rearranged, re-shelved and re-catalogued, in such a way as to make reference to any book convenient and possible at any time. This work can be done for a small sum, aud it is very desirable that provision for it be made atnoce if possible.

The attention of the Board is respectfully called to Rules 5 and 6 on page 20 of Rules and Regulations governing the Corps of Cadets. Individual Regents have not been uniform in their action respecting these laws, and some embarrassment has arisen therefrom. It seems desirable that these provisions be observed or repealed. There are other laws that have practically become inoperative, and still others

that need modification or interpretation. In view of these facts, you are requested to take steps looking to the immediate revision of the Rules and Regulations.

Your attention is also most earnestly called to the importance of electing a President during the present session of the Board.

It will be remembered that one year ago, Prof. White was relieved of one-third of his work. This action and the absence of a President, have thrown upon me an unreasonable and well nigh insupportable burden, have over-taxed other Professors, and have necessitated the neglect of some regular work. It has been my constant endeavor to discharge the duties imposed upon me, in the best manner possible under the cicumstances; and it would scarcely seem just either to myself or to the University, to delay any longer that relief from constant executive duties which is so much needed and desired.

The Faculty of the University has placed in my hands a copy of resolutions recently passed by unanimous vote, respectfully asking you to consider the propriety of making certain changes concerning the curriculum, the Executive Committee and the salaries and payment of teachers. As the document is too long to be embodied in this report, and as it needs some explanation, you are requested to permit its presentation personally, either by your honorable body, or to a committee thereof, appointed for that purpose.

Messrs. Thomas R. Boyd, Zalmon K. Brown, David H. Courtney, Theophilus E. Hodges, Elias D. Jeffries, George C. Lewis and James H. Stewart, having satisfactorily completed the studies of the Literary Department of the University, are, by vote of the Faculty, recommended to receive the degree of Bachelor of Arts at your hands.

Messrs. Arthur L. Cox and James H. Lawhead having likewise completed the studies of the Scientific Department, are, by similar vote, recommended to receive the degree of Bachelor of Science.

The Faculty also recommend for the Master's degree: Messrs. George D. Purinton, William A. Rogers and Spencer S. Wade, the members of the Class of 1879.

The Faculty further recommend, that the following Honorary Degrees be conferred: That of Doctor of Laws upon Hon. Daniel B. Lucas, of Charlestown, West Virginia, that of Doctor of Divinity upon Rev. J. R. Thompson, of Jersey City, and upon Rev. J. W. Carter, of Parkersburg, W. Va.

Respectfully submitted,

D. B. PURINTON,
Acting President W. Va. University.

MORGANTOWN, June 5, 1882.

TREASURER'S REPORT, 1881-2.

A. W. Lorentz, Treasurer, in Account with West Virginia University.

1881.		Dr.	
Jan.	1,	To balance on hand as per report	$ 3,428 83
July	8,	To interest on $103.000, currency 6s	3.090 00
Nov.	16,	To draft on Auditor (Regents expenses)	500 00
Nov.	21,	To draft on Auditor (salary of teachers)	3,300 00
Nov.	26,	To cash (redemption of 5 per cent. bonds)	5,000 00
Nov.	26,	To interest on 5 per cent. bonds	104 28
1882.			
Jan.	3,	To interest on $103,000, currency 6s	3,090 00
March	6,	To draft on Auditor (salary of teachers)	950 00
April	3,	To draft on Auditor (C & C)	500 00
April	3,	To draft on Auditor (Insurance)	500 00
April	4,	To interest on 4 per cent. bonds ($4.200)	42 00
May	2,	To draft on Auditor (C. & C.)	1,000 00
May	2,	To draft on Auditor (library)	500 00
May	2,	To cash from librarian (fines)	2 85
June	1,	To interest on $653 50, part of endorsement	39 21
June	1,	To tuition fees for year ending June 8, 1882	1,645 50
			$ 23,692 67

1881.		Cr.	
June	1,	By order No 384, F. S. Lyon	2 78
June	1,	By order No 385, Geo W John & Co	10 68
June	1,	By order No 386, Huston & Demain	25 80
June	1,	By order No 387, T Pickenpaugh	2 00
June	1,	By order No 388, A E Lazier	6 25
June	2,	By order No 389, T S Lyon	350 00
June	2,	By order No 390, R C Berkeley	362 50
June	2,	By order No 391, John I Harvey	362 50
June	2,	By order No 392, I C White	350 01
June	2,	By order No 393, W Latham, Jr	350 00
June	2,	By order No 394, St G T Brooke	166 69
June	2,	By order No 395, A W Lorentz	350 03
June	2,	By order No 396, James McLee	250 00
June	2,	By order No 397, J S Stewart	237 51
June	2,	By order No 398, H W Brock	500 00
June	13,	By order No 399, D B Purinton	3 30
June	13,	By order No 400, D B Purinton	500 00
June	14,	By order No 401, James McLee	350 00
Aug	19,	By order No 402, Robt Odbert	2 25
Aug	19,	By order No 403, James Turner	3 00
Aug	19,	By ordsr No 404, Dolly Lewis	3 60
Aug	19,	By order No 405, Jennie Danser	3 60
Aug	19,	By order No 406, A W Lorentz for Danser	83 32
Aug	19,	By order No 407, Aaron Smith	5 00
Aug	19,	By order No 408, James McLee	10 30
Sept	22,	By order No 409, J J Titch & Co	14 18
Oct	3,	By order Ro 410, Wm Danser	41 66
Oct	3,	By order No 411, H B Lazier & Co	20 40
Oct	3,	By order No 412, H B Lazier & Co	16 75
Oct	3,	By order No 413, H B Lazier & Co	31 15
Oct	3,	By order No 414, George Smith	18 00
Oct	3,	By order No 415, J S Stewart	80 00
Oct	3,	By order No 416, D B Purinton	9 27
Oct	3,	By order No 417, F S Lyon	3 44
Oct	3,	By order No 418, Manliff Hayes	3 60
Oct	4,	By order No 419, Wm Danser	40 00

Oct	4, By order No 420, H B Lazier & Co	5 85
Oct	4, By Order No 421, W W Denny	8 00
Oct	7, By order No 422, A W Lorenz	2 50
Oct	7, By order No 423, James S Stewart	350 00
Oct	7, By order No 424, J McLee	19 90
Oct	7, By order No 425, W Danser	41 66
Oct	7, By order No 426, T S Lyon	13 88
Oct	14, By order No 427, J McLee	12 55
Oct	14, By order No 428, R C Berkeley	4 10
Oct	22, By order No 429, D B Purinton	666 67
Oct	22, By order No 430, R C Berkeley	483 33
Oct	22, By order No 431, John I Harvey	483 33
Oct	22, By order No 432, F S Lyon	466 67
Oct	22, By order No 433, A W Lorentz	466 66
Oct	22, By order No 434, W Latham, Jr	466 67
Oct	22, By order No 435, James S Stewart	316 67
Oct	22, By order No 436, James McLee	333 33
Dec	5, By order No 437, H I Robinson	5 00
Dec	5, By order No 438, J McLee	6 90
Dec	5, By order No 439, I C White	87 50
1882.		
Jan	10, By order No 440, J I Harvey	466 43
Jan	10, By order No 441, Manliff Hayes	7 18
Jan	10, By order No 442, Manliff Hayes	1 15
Jan	10, By order No 443, James S Stewart	130 00
Jan	10, By order No 444, James McLee	76
March	7, By order No 445, D B Purinton	533 34
March	7, By order No 446, H W Brock	400 00
March	7, By order No. 447, R. C. Berkeley	386 67
March	7, By order No. 448, F. S. Lyon	373 34
March	7, By order No. 449, John I. Harvey	386 66
March	7, By order No. 450, I. C. White	400 00
March	7, By order No. 451, A. W. Lorentz	373 34
March	7, By order No. 452, W. Latham, Jr.	373 34
March	7, By order No. 453, St G. T. Brooke	400 00
March	7, By order No. 454, J. S. Stewart	253 33
March	7, By order No. 455, J. McLee	266 60
March	7, By order No. 456, John I. Harvey	143 72
March	7, By order No. 457, Manliff Hayes	2 35
March	7, By order No. 458, Wm. Danser	111 11
April	3, By order No. 459, D. B. Purinton	133 33
April	3, By order No. 460, H. W. Brock	100 00
April	3, By order No. 461, R. C. Berkeley	96 67
April	3, By order No. 462, F. S. Lyon	93 33
April	3, By order No. 463, John I. Harvey	96 67
April	3, By order No. 464, I. C White	100 00
April	3, By order No. 465, A. W. Lorentz	93 33
April	3, By order No. 466, W. Latham, Jr	93 33
April	3, By order No. 467, St. G. T. Brooke	100 00
April	3, By order No. 468, J. S. Stewart	63 33
April	3, By order No. 469, Jas. McLee	66 66
April	3, By order No. 470, D. B. Purinton	35 19
April	3, By order No. 471, J. S. Stewart	4 69
April	3, By order No. 472, Jacob Esterbay	10 00
April	3, By order No. 473, A. R. Lazier	1 50
April	3, By order No. 474, John I. Harvey	1 20
April	3, By order No. 475, J. B. Lippencott & Co	18 42
April	3, By order No 476, James McLee	15 60
April	3, By order No. 477, George A. Lees	25 10
April	3, By order No. 478, J. E. Fleming	2 00
April	3, By order No. 479, William Danser	41 66
April	3, By order No. 480, A. W. Lorentz	250 00
April	3, By order No. 481, A. W. Lorentz	55

April	3, By order No. 482, A. W. Lorentz	251 15
April	3, By order No. 483, E. Shtsler.	45 27
April	3, By order No. 484, Hugh Madera	7 40
April	3, By order No. 485, E. C. Wells	3 00
April	3, By order No. 486, George W. Smith.	16 00
April	3, By order No. 487, Deman & Huston	119 62
April	3, By order No. 488, Deman & Huston	12 75
April	3, By order No. 489, Robert Odbert	12 75
April	3, By order No. 490, R. C. Berkeley	2 54
April	3, By order No. 491, K. Fife	3 79
May	1, By order No. 492, G. W. Tryon	8 00
May	1, By order No. 493, N. H. McGeorge	5 63
May	1, By order No. 494, J. E. Fleming	1 25
May	1, By order No 495, Wm Danser	41 66
May	1, By order No 496, F A Deming	1 00
May	1, By order No 497, Hugh Madera	8 50
May	1, By order No 498, J Robe & Son	6 50
May	1, By order No 499, W O Murphey	14 00
May	1, By order No 500, George M Ray	4 40
May	1, By order No 501, R C Berkeley	16 40
May	1, By order No 502, D B Purinton	1 50
May	1, By order No 503, D B Purinton	11 10
May	1, By order No 504, I S Reed	12 50
May	1, By order No 505, M Hayes	3 25
May	1, By order No 506, Deman & Huston	47 40
May	1, By order No 507, George W John & Co	6 04
May	1, By order No 508, T J Meeks	191 58
May	1, By order No 509, Jas S Stewart	71 37
May	1, By order No 510, A W Lorentz	45 00
May	1, By order No 511, Smith R Irwin	15 31
May	25, By order No 512, James McLee	36 00
May	25, By order No 513, John I Harvey	567 93
May	25, By order No 514, M Hayes	7 45
May	25, By order No 515, M Hayes	9 94
May	25, By order No 516, G W Smith	9 00
May	25, By order No 517, S R Irwin	1 25
May	25, By order No 518, E Shisler	19 38
May	25, By order No 519, Wm Wells	1 25
May	25, By order No 520, John I Harvey	1 10
M8y	25, By order No 521, D B Purinton	17 80
May	25, By order No 522, A W Lorentz	3 40
May	25, By order No 523, Wm Danser	41 66
May	25, By order No 524, James McLee	90 00
May	31, By order No 525, D Chadwick & Co	29 90
May	31, By order No 526, A W Lorentz	40 00
	By amount paid for $4,200, 4 per cent. bonds	4,977 00
		$-22,162 90
	Total receipts	$ 23,692 67
	Disbursements	22,162 90
	Balance due University	$ 1,529 77

MORGANTOWN, W. VA., June 5, 1882.

To the Board of Regents of the West Virginia University:

I have the honor to submit the foregoing report of all moneys received and disbursed by me as Treasurer of the West Virginia University for the year ending June 8, 1882.

A. W. LORENTZ, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Receipts and Disbursements of the West Virginia University to June 1, 1882.

CURRENT AND CONTINGENT EXPENSE FUND.

1881.			
June 1	To balalance	$ 1,054 67	
1882.			
April 3	To draft on Auditor	500 00	
May 1	To draft on Auditor	1,000 00	
1882			
June 1	By disbursements to this date as per vouchers filed herewith numbered (not consecutively) from 399 to 526 inclusive, (see E. "A")		$ 2,455 89
June 1	By balance to debit		98 78
		$ 2,554 67	$ 2,554 67
June 1	To balance to debit	$ 98 78	
June 1	To balance of this fund in State Treasury	2,500 00	

SALARY OF TEACHERS' FUND.

1881.			
June 1	To balanee	$ 617 92	
July 1	To half yearly interest on $103,000 6 per cent. U. S currency bonds	3,090 00	
Aug. 1	To quarter yearly interest on $5,000 5 per cent. U. S bonds	62 50	
Sept. 1	To tuition College Department 1st term	192 00	
Sept. 1	To one-third contingent fees	16 00	
Sept. 1	To matraculation fees	8 00	
Nov. 4	To tuition fees, Preparatory Department	217 50	
Nov. 4	To one-third contingent fees	29 00	
Oct. 26	To interest on $5,000, 5 per cent. U. S. bonds, (called) 2 months	41 78	
Nov. 22	To draft on Auditor	3,300 00	
1882			
Jan. 21	To tuition fees, Winter Term 1881-2	420 67	
Jan. 1	To half yearly interest on $103,000 6 per cent. U. S. bonds	3,090 00	
March 6	To draft on Auditor	950 00	
Ap 3&19	To tuition and contingent fees, third term	491 00	
April 3	To interest on $4,200 U. S. 4 per cent. bonds	42 00	
June 1	To interest on floating endowment fund, $653 50	39 21	
June 1	By disbursements to this date as per vouchers herewith filed (not consecutively) from 389 to 469 inclusive. (See exhibit "A.")		$ 12,752 28
June 1	By balance to credit (overdraft)	144 70	
		$ 12,752 28	$ 12,752 28
June 1	By balance		$144 70
June 1	Undrawn balance of this fund in State Treasury	$ 3,776 63	

PAINTING TIN ROOF FUND.

1881			
June 1	To balance	$ 123 75	
1882			
June 1	By disbursements to this date as per vouchers herewith filed, Nos. 413 and 414. (See exhibit "A.")		$ 49 15
June 1	By balance to debit		74 60
		$ 123 75	$ 123 75
June 1	To balance	$ 74 60	

INSURANCE FUND.

1881			
June 1	To balance	$ 121 25	
1882			
April 3	To draft on Auditor	500 00	
May 3	By disbursements to A. W Lorentz, agt, as per vouchers Nos. 480 and 510. (See exhibit "A.")		$ 295 00
June 1	By balance to debit		326 25
		$ 621 25	$ 621 25
June 1	To balance	$ 326 25	

REGENTS' EXPENSE FUND.

1881			
June 1	To balanac	$ 33 71	
Nov. 7	To draft on Auditor	500 00	
1882			
April 3	By disbursements, A.W. Lorentz, treas, No. 482. (See exbibit 'A.')		$ 251 15
June 1	By balance to debit		282 56
		$ 533 71	$ 533 71
June 1	To balance	$ 282 56	
June 1	Undrawn balance in State Treasury	500 00	

LIBRARY FUND.

1881			
June 1	To balance	$ 776 52	
Sept. 1	To two-thirds contingent fees College Department	32 00	
Nov. 4	To two-thirds contingent fees Preparatory Department	58 00	
1882			
Jan. 21	To two-thirds contingent fees winter term	81 33	
Ap3&19	To two-thirds contingent fees third term	100 00	
May 1	To draft on Auditor	500 00	
May 1	To library fines	2 85	
1882			
June 1	By disbursements as per vouchers filed herewith numbered from 412 to 520 inclusive, but not consecutively. (See Exhibit 'A.'		$ 1,334 92
June 1	By balance to debit		215 78
		$ 1,550 70	$ 1,550 70
June 1	To balance to debit	$ 215 78	

*ENDOWMENT FUND.

1881			
June 1	To balance	$ 653 50	
	Interest on same to June 1, 1882	39 21	
1882			
June 1	By salary teacher's fund, interest paid. (See Exhibit "A.")		$ 39 21
June 1	By balance to debit (Principal)		653 50
		$ 692 71	$ 692 71
June 1	To balance to debit	$ 653 50	

*Not permanently invested.

SUMMARY OF BALANCES IN HANDS OF A. W. LORENTZ, TREAS.

1882 June 1	Current and Contingent Expense Fund	$ 98 78	
	Salary of Teacher's Fund		$ 144 70
	Painting Tin Roof Fund	74 60	
	Insurance Fund	326 25	
	Regents' Expense Fund	282 56	
	Library Fund	215 78	
	Balance of principal in Treasurer's hands on reinvestment of $5 000 5 per cent. U. S Bonds	23 00	
	Endowment Fund (not permanently invested)	653 00	
	Total of balances in hands of Treasurer		1,529 77
		$ 1,674 47	$ 1,674 47
	Total in hands of A. W. Lorentz, Treasurer of West Virginia University	$ 1,529 77	

We accompany this report with a statement marked Exhibit "A," showing the numbers, when paid, the persons to whom paid, and amounts of the respective vouchers belonging to the several funds herein referred to.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. BROWN,
E. SHISLER,
Special Committee.

Morgantown, June 1, 1882.

EXHIBIT A.

Statement showing number and amounts of accounts credited to the the several funds of the West Virginia University, when, and the names of the persons to whom the same were paid for the year ending June 1, 1882 :

Current and Contingent Expense Fund.

1881.		
June	13, D. B. Purinton, postage, No. 399	$ 3 30
June	13, James M Lee, Secretary, advertising 1881-2, No 401	350 00
June	13, R. R. Odbert, work on grounds, No. 402	2 25
August	19, James Turner, mowing campus, No. 403	3 00
August	19, Dolly Lewis, scrubbing buildings, No. 404	3 60
August	19, Jennie Danser, scrubbing buildings, No. 405	3 60
August	19, William Danser, salary as janitor to August 31, No. 406	83 32
August	19, Aaron Smith, white-washing fences, No. 407	5 00
August	19, James M. Lee, Supt., bill sundry expenses for repairs, No. 408	10 30
Sept	22, I. I. Fitch & Co., books, etc., per bill, No. 409	14 13
October	3, H. B. Lazier & Co , glass, blackboard.paint, etc., No. 411	20 40
October	3, William Danser, salary as janitor.for September, No. 410	41 66
October	3, F. S Lyon, postage, No. 417	3 44
October	3, D. B. Purinton, postage, No. 416	9 27
October	3, Manliff Hays, freight on boxes, No 418	3 60
October	3, William Danser, salary for attending privy, No. 419	40 00
October	3, H B. Lazier & Co., oil, matches, lamp chimneys, No. 420	5 85
October	3, W. W. Dering, (order Board Regents), making out treas. accts., No. 421	8 00
Nov	7, A. W. Lorentz, cash per Secretary State for certificate and seal, No. 422	2 50
Nov	7, J. S Stewart, book agent, books for cadets, No. 423	350 00
Nov	7, James M Lee, cash acct. for repairs, charcoal and hauling, No 424	19 90
Nov	7, William Danser, salary as janitor for October, No. 425	41 66
Nov	7, J. M. Lee, Supt., express charges due S. Bright, No. 427	12 55
Nov	7, R. C. Berkeley, postage and express charges on books, No. 428	4 10
1882.		
Jan	10, Manliff Hays, freight on map, No. 442	1 15
Jan	10, James S. Stewart. book agent, cadet books, No. 443	130 00
Jan	10, James M. Lee, advertising, No. 444	76
March	7, William Danser, salary as janitor, No. 458	166 66
April	3, D. B. Purinton, postage per bill, No. 470	8 55
April	3, D. B. Purinton, lecturer's expenses, No. 470	26 64
April	3, James S Stewart, postage, No. 471	4 69
April	3, Jacob Easterday, labor on grounds, No. 472	10 00
April	3, A. E. Lazier, salt, No. 473	1 50
April	3, James M. Lee, half of carpet for armory, No. 476	15 60
April	3, George A. Lees, tin work, spouting, etc., No. 477	25 10
April	3, Julian E. Fleming, printing circulars, No 478	2 00
April	3, William Danser, salary for March, 1882, No. 479	41 66
April	3, A. W. Lorentz, express charges, No. 481	55
April	3, E Shisler, hardware per bill, No. 483	45 27
April	3, Hugh Medera, plastering, No. 484	7 40
April	3, C. C. Wells, labor on grounds, No 485	3 00
April	3, G. W. Smith, painting and glazing, No. 486	16 00
April	3, Demain & Houston, carpenter work on labratory, No. 487	119 62
April	3, Demain & Houston; carpenter work generally, No. 488	12 75
April	3, Robert Odbert, labor on grounds, No. 489	12 75
April	3, R. C. Berkeley, postage, No. 490	2 54
April	3, Kinsey Fife, labor and hauling, No 491	3 79
May	1, N. N. McGeorge, brooms, No. 493	5 63
May	1, Julian E. Fleming, printing hand bills, No. 494	1 25

May	1, William Daensr, salary of janitor for April, 1882, No. 495	41 66
May	1, F. A Denny, postoffice box rent two years to July, 1882, No. 496	1 00
May	1, Hugh Medera, plastering, No. 497	8 50
May	1. J. Robe & Son, brick laying, Dr. Brock's room, No. 498	6 50
May	1, W. O. Murphy, cutting holes for cold air flues, No. 499	14 00
May	1, George M. Reay, gratings, No. 500	4 40
May	1, R. C. Berkeley, lexicons ordered by Regents, No. 501	16 40
May	1, D. B. Purinton, hand bills, No. 502	1 50
May	1, D. B. Purinton, lecturer's expenses, No. 503	11 10
May	1, Isaac S Reid, tank for labratory, No 504	12 50
May	1, Manliff Hays, freight on catalogues, No. 505	3 25
May	1, Demain & Houston, carp. work, Dr. Brock's room and cold air flues, No. 506	47 40
May	1, George W. John & Co., merchandise per bill, No. 507	6 04
May	1, T. J. Meeks, coal for year 1881-82, No. 508	191 58
May	1, James S. Stewart, cadet books, No. 509	70 00
May	1, James S. Stewart, postage, No. 509	1 37
May	1, Smith R. Irwin, labor on grounds, No. 511	15 31
May	25, James M. Lee, two dozen diplomas, No. 512	36 00
May	25, Manliff & Hays, freight on catalogues, No. 514	7 45
May	25, Geo. W. Smith, painting and glazing, No. 516	9 00
May	25, Smith R. Irwin, labor on grounds, No. 517	1 25
May	25, E. Shisler, hardware to date, including lawn mower $16, No. 518	19 38
May	25, Wm. Wells, hauling stone, No. 519	1 25
May	25, D B. Purinton, repairs on organ and postage, No 521	17 80
May	25, A. W. Lorentz, postage, No 522	3 40
May	25, Wm. Danser, janitor's salary, May, No 523	41 66
May	25, James M. Lee, two fire extinguishers, No. 524	20 00
May	31, D. Chadwick & Co , carpet and carpet paper, No. 525	29 90
May	31, A. W. Lorentz, Regent's Prize contest, No. 526	40 00
		$ 2,454 89

Salary of Teacher's Fund.

1881			
June	13, D. B. Purinton, S. of T. to end of University year 1881, No. 400		$ 500 00
July	10, F. S. Lyon, Prof. S. of T. to Sept , 1881, No. 389		350 00
July	10, R C Berkley, Prof and Sec'y, S. of T. to September, 1881, No. 390		362 50
July	10, John I. Harvey, Prof. and Librarian, S of T. to Sept., 1881, No. 391		362 50
July	10, I. C. White, Prof., S. of T. to September, 1881, No, 392		350 01
July	10, W. Latham, Prof., S. of T. to September, 1881, 393		350 00
July	10, St. Geo. T. Brooke, Prof., S. of T. to September, 1881, No. 394		166 99
July	10, A. W. Lorentz, Prof., S. of T. to September, 1881, No. 395		350 03
July	10, James M. Lee, tutor, to September, 1881, No. 396		250 00
July	10, J. S. Stewart, tutor, to September, 1881, No. 397		237 51
July	10, H. W. Brock, Prof. Med., to September, 1881, No. 398		500 00
Nov.	7, F. S. Lyon, V. P., val. as V. P. allowed by Regents, No. 426		13 88
Nov.	22, D. B. Purinton, Pres't, one-third salary 1881-82, No. 429		666 67
Nov.	22, R. C. Berkley, Prof. one-third salary 1881-82, No. 430	$466 66	
Nov.	22, R C. Berkley, See'y Faculty	16 67—	483 33
Nov.	22, John I. Harvey, Prof., one-third salary 1881-82, No. 431	$466 66	
Nov.	22, John I. Harvey, librarian, one-third salary librarian	16 67—	483 33
Nov.	22, F. S. Lyon, Prof., one-third salary for 1881-82, No. 432		466 67
Nov.	22, A. W. Lorentz, professor one-third salary year, 1881-2, No. 433		466 66
Nov.	22, W. Latham, professor one-third salary year, 1881-2, No. 434		466 67
Nov.	22, J. M. Lee tutor one-third salary year, 1881-2, No. 436		333 33
Nov.	22, J. S. Stewart, tutor and secretary, one-third salary year, 1881-2, 435		316 67
Dec.	5, I. C. White, three-fourths salary for October, 1880, allowed by Regents, No. 439		87 50
Dec.	5, H. L. Robinson, tuition refunded, No. 437		5 00
1882			
March	7, D. B. Purinton, 80 per cent salary for winter term, No. 445		533 34
March	7, H W Brock, 80 per cent. salary for winter term. No. 446		400 00
March	7, R. C. Berkeley, 80 per cent. salary for winter term, No. 447		386 67

March	7, F. S. Lyon, 80 per cent salary for winter term, No. 448	373 34
March	7, John I. Harvey, 80 per cent. salary for winter term, No. 449	386 66
March	7, I. C. White, 80 per cent. salary for winter term, No 450	400 00
March	7, A. W Lorentz, 80 per cent salary for winter term, No 451	373 34
March	7, W. Latham, 80 per cent. salary for winter term, No. 452	373 34
March	7, St. George T. Brooke, 80 per cent. salary for winter term, No. 453	400 00
March	7, J. S. Stewart, tutor, 80 per cent. salary for winter term, No. 454	253 33
March	7, J. M. Lee, tutor, 80 per cent. salary for winter term, No. 455	266 66
April	3, D. B Purinton, 20 per cent. salary for winter term, No. 459	133 33
April	3, H. W. Brock, 20 per cent salary for winter term, No. 460	100 00
April	3. R. C Berkley, 20 per cent. salary for winter term, No 461	96 67
April	3, F. S. Lyon, 20 per cent salary for winter term, No. 462	93 33
April	3, J. I. Harey, 20 per cent. salary for winter term, No. 463.	96 67
April	3, J. C. White, 20 per cent. salary for winter term, No. 464	100 00
April	3, A. W. Lorentz, 20 per cent. salary for winter term, No. 465	93 33
April	3, W. Latham, 20 per cent. salary for winter term, No. 466	93 33
April	3, St. George T. Brooke, 20 per cent. salary for winter term, No. 467	100 00
April	3, J. S. Stewart, tutor, 20 per cent. salary for winter term, No. 468	63 33
April	3, J. M. Lee, tutor, 20 per cent. salary for winter term, No. 469	66 66
		$ 12,752 25

Painting Tin Roof Fund.

1881.		
October	3, H B Lazier, & Co, oil, lead, ochre, &c, No 413	$ 31 15
October	3, George W. Smith, painting tin roofs, No. 414	18 00
		$ 49 15

Insurance Fund.

1882.		
April	3, A. W Lorentz, agent, insurance $25,000 at 1 per cent, No 480	$ 250 00
May	1, A. W. Lorentz, agent, insurance $4,500 at 1 per cent, No. 510	45 00
		$ 295 00

Regents' Expense Fund.

1882		
April	3, A W Lorentz. Regents' expenses, June, 1881, No. 482.	$ 251 15

Library Fund.

1881.		
October	3, H B. Lazier, books for library, No. 412	$ 16 75
October	3, I S. Stewart, books for library, No. 415	80 00
Dec.	5, J M Lee, books for library, 438	6 90
1882.		
Jan.	10, John J. Harvey, books for library, No. 440	466 43
Jan.	10, Manliff Hays, freight on books, No. 441	7 18
March	7, John I. Harvey, library books, per bill, No 456	143 72
March	7, M. Hays, freight on books, No 457	2 35
April	3, John I. Harvey, books for library, per bill, No. 474	6 20
April	3, J. B. Lippencott & Co, books, per bill, No. 475	18 42
May	1, George W. Tryon, books, per bill, No. 492	8 00
May	25. John I. Harvey, two bills, G. W. Putnam, for library, No. 513	567 93
May	25, M. Hays, freight on above books, No. 515	9 94
May	25, John I. Harvey, postage for library, No. 520	1 10
		$ 1,334 92

Endowment Fund not Permanently Invested.

1882.		
Jan.	1, Interest on $653 50 for year ending June 1, 1882, paid Treasury, &c., checked salary of Teachers' Fund	$ 39 21

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PRESIDENT.

LONG REACH, Tyler county,
W.V., December 23, 1882.

Hon. William L. Wilson, President of West Virginia University:

SIR:

As you have entered upon the Presidency of the University, since the last meeting of the Board of Regents, I should be glad to receive any suggestions and recommendations you may deem necessary to secure the successful prosperity and advancement of the University, your letter to accompany the Report of the Regents to the Legislature.

Yours, very truly,
D. D. JOHNSON.
President Board of Regents, West Virginia University.

Colonel D. D. Johnson, President of the Board of Regents, West Virginia University:

SIR:

Your letter of 23d ult. reached Morgantown during my absence for the holidays. I avail myself of my first leisure, since my return, to comply with your request for such "suggestions and recommendations as I may deem necessary to secure the successful prosperity and advancement of the University," confining my answer, at present, to such matters as should be brought to the attention of the Legislature, and not including those within the discretion and power of the Board of Regents.

PERSONAL ALLUSION.

And as this is my first official communication to the Regents, since assuming the Presidency of the University, to which I was called by their unexpected action last June, I may be indulged in some allusions of a personal nature. My decision to accept the position was reached, only after long and anxious deliberation, and then, not so much from a sense of its dignity and honor, which I fully appreciated,

as from a belief that it offered an opportunity of doing the State a substantial service which it was almost a duty to undertake. That service, as it appeared to me, was twofold: viz. to aid in getting the school adopted and supported with some heartiness and pride by the people of the entire State, and to contribute toward making it a University, in reality as well as in name. I was fully aware that these were tasks of magnitude and difficulty, and that the first condition of their successful accomplishment was such thorough and intimate knowledge of the needs of the institution, and of the work it is called upon to perform, as could be gathered only from actual experience in its conduct. With such views, and with no preconceived theories beyond an ambition to make the University as widely useful as possible in the State,—I entered as quietly as I could upon my duties, scrupulously avoiding suggestions of change until this experience should be acquired, and endeavoring to carry out, with the least possible confusion, the changes made by the Regents in the organization of studies, in a way to secure, as early as practicable, those results of a more thorough scholarship, and a wider range of instruction, which were their commendable object.

My sudden and unexpected call into another field of public service, within a fortnight after the beginning of our session, has removed from me the prospect of any great personal share in the work suggested, but has, in no degree, lessened my appreciation of its necessity, or my interest in its early accomplishment. And thus, while I speak after several months' observation and experience of the work and necessities of the University, I am able to do so without other personal interest than that of a citizen of the State, keenly desirous of her advancement in all things that make for her prosperity and good name.

NEED OF A UNIVERSITY.

I am sure every intelligent citizen of the State must earnestly desire to see our chief State school successful and prosperous, a seminary of high grade, affording to our young men the same means of and opportunities for thorough education, classical, scientific and professional, that are enjoyed by the youths of other States.

And when we recall the lack of such institutions in this State,—there being as I believe but one other college in its limits,—and reflect that if we depend upon the colleges of other sections to educate our young men, an inconsiderable number will attain the benefits of liberal culture, and we shall altogether miss that sentiment of State pride, which is so great and honorable an element of strength in other States, but which for many reasons, chiefly inherent in her physical structure, has, as yet, but a weak devolopment in West Virginia, we see how strongly our necessities, our duties, and our pride are involved in this matter.

Moreover there are obvious and imperious reasons why such an institution in this State, while gladly and anxiously seeking light from the experience of all others, must yet be, carefully and conscientiously, adapted to the actual and present needs of our youth. In but a few sections of the State are there at present schools, either public or private, of high grade, in which young men can be fully prepared

for college. Our University must therefore meet our young men at that stage of preparation which they are able to attain in their respective counties, and carry them forward to a good collegiate education. In other words, however high we may seek to raise the standard of graduation or of attainable instruction, there cannot be, for some time to come, any elevation of the standard of admission; and it is one of the striking advantages of the distribution, lately made, of its studies into separate Schools, that each School can begin with the rudiments, and go forward in natural progress to the highest stages of scholarship.

PRESENT ORGANIZATION.

Under this re-organization of the studies made by the Regents last June, at the unanimous request, as I learn, of the Faculty, the instruction of the University is now comprized in ten schools, viz.:

I. Metaphysics.
II. Mathematics.
III. Ancient Languages.
IV. Modern Languages.
V. English.
VI History.
VII. Geology and Natural History.
VIII. Agriculture, Chemistry and Physics.
IX. Law and Equity.
X. Anatomy, Physiology and Hygiene.

Each school is in charge of a professor, and there are also two instructors in preparatory studies, and military tactics.

Although this change has necessarily produced some disorganization the present session, and evoked some criticism both intelligent and unintelligent,—I have no doubt that if faithfully carried out, it will increase the usefulness of the institution, and, as it becomes known, draw attendance from a much wider area, in the State, than has heretofore been possible.

It will thus be seen that this scheme contemplates and provides a wider range of instruction, and greater advantages than it has hitherto been possible to offer to students, and it gives me pleasure to testify to the general zeal and ability of the heads of the several Schools, and associate instructors. But there are still certain urgent needs and deficiencies of the University, which prevent its attaining the desired measure of usefulness, and hinder the full development of its present facilities, and, in compliance with your invitation, I now proceed to suggest what I conceive to be its immediate necessities.

MORE TEACEHRS.

And first of all, and beyond all, there should be an increase in its corps of teachers. With its present force, it cannot possibly do the work it ought to do, which it is called upon to do, and which it promises to do, and its deficiency is in those very departments where the demands of modern culture and the needs of our own State are most exacting. In the whole field of the physical sciences there are but two instructors, to one of whom are assigned Agriculture, Chemistry and Physics, any one of which might engross the labors of an in-

structor; and to the other Geology and other branches of Natural History. This bare statement shows our deficiency in this great and widening domain, where so large a part of liberal education is now sought, and so much of useful and immediately available education is is found. No ability on the part of the instructors employed can supply the deficiency, and there should be two professors added to this department, before we can offer those advantages for the study of the sciences which our young men ought to enjoy and which they find in the better equipped colleges of contiguous States. Equally urgent is the need of a professor of Applied Mathematics to give instruction in Astronomy, Mechanics, and especially in Civil Engineering, including Railroad building, Bridge construction and like subjects, and in mining engineering. Some of these subjects are taught as far as practicable, by the professor of mathematics, but it is evident he can spare but little time from his regular chair for them.

By our lack of instruction in these particulars, we are withholding the very education the young men of this State need, to coustruct her railroads, develope her mines, her mineral wealth and her agricultural resources, and we are not carrying out the intention of the land-grant of the United States, from which this school derives its endowment, and which was given for "the support and maintenance of at least one college, where the *leading object* shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, *to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts.*"

PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS.

Again, the effort made by the Regents, somewhat as an experiment, to establish professional schools, has shown the need of them, and the certainty of their success if placed on a permanent and sufficient basis. The law school, in which lectures are now given through the entire session, has but one professor, whose industry is strained to cover the wide field committed to him. As the beginning of a Medical School the Regents established a chair of Anatomy, Physiology and Hygiene, in which systematic instruction is given with ample practice in the dissection of subjects. This School, continuing through the entire session, forms a nucleus around which, a complete medical department may be established by including the School of Chemistry, and with the addition of but two more professors.

THESE ARE PRESSING NEEDS.

I have thus indicated what I think are the pressing needs of the University. I might easily add other professorships, but those above suggested, especially in the sciences and applied mathematics, are indispensable. I freely recognize that a great school becomes such by steady and long continued growth, and that in the poverty of our State, we must seek large results from the least possible expenditure. West Virginia cannot vie with older and wealthier States in appropriations for her School; still less, however, can she afford in her poverty, and because of her poverty, to deny to her young men the means of culture which others enjoy, or to provide them in any stinted and imperfect measure.

Massive buildings, ornamental grounds, great libraries and labora-

tories, and other expensive apparatus of instruction, have but limited educational value apart from the living teachers, able, earnest and enthusiastic. If we do not aim to possess the former as yet, we can with moderate additional outlay provide the latter, and having them, we may be sure that our young men will lack neither the substance nor the power of real education, nor suffer in contrast with those of other States in the competitions of public or private life.

A few thousand dollars more appropriated each year by the State, will enable the Regents to establish these chairs, and to fill them with able and progressive teachers.

DWELLINGS FOR PROFESSORS.

But to secure and to hold such instructors, dwelling houses must be provided for them. I cannot too greatly emphasize this necessity. Morgantown does not supply the accommodations. Its houses are generally occupied by their owners, and few are for rent. My own acceptance of the presidency threw upon me the unexpected necessity of a severance from my family, and this severance would probably continue did I expect to remain another year. Other professors who have been here for years are without homes, and subjected to much uneasiness and uncertainty in this particular. This should be remedied by the immediate erection of a dozen or more inexpensive cottages, which might be arranged in a semi-circle about the present buildings, with fine effect. They would give attractiveness and stability to the teachers' position, and relieve from dependence on the local accommodations, which, in a State institution, is of obvious necessity.

DORMITORIES.

There is also need for some dormitories. Students now seek rooms among the families of the town. This has its advantages and disadvantages. The supply of accommodations is limited and must be unequal. I do not advise any special change in this practice, but there should be some dormitories, if for no other reason to prevent the unavoidable loitering about the halls, in the intervals of lectures, by students who board at a distance from the University, and especially for the use of those who wish to reduce their expenses to a minimum by messing together.

DISSECTING ROOM.

And I will add that a small building should be provided as a dissecting room. The only apartment now available for this purpose is in the very centre of the main building, surrounded by lecture rooms. This is objectionable on the score of privacy as well as of health, and a small structure in a remote part of the grounds is a necessity.

LIBRARY.

I may likewise add something as to the needs of the Library. The present collection of volumes, which, exclusive of public documents, numbers more than three thousand, has been selected with much intelligence and discrimination, and contains few valuless or merely antiquarian books; but they are piled on very high shelves, in a room too small for conveniences of study or investigation. A

large room with easily accessible shelves and alcoves, and suitably furnished and adorned, would invite donations of books and works of art, and eventually secure a valuable library. I am particularly anxious to see good collections on American history, political, economical and literary; also on general constitutional law and political economy in its widest sense. A library building, fire proof, need not cost over $10,000.00, and would supply two additional lecture rooms.

But while I state this, under the invitation of your letter, as one of the actual and marked needs of the University, I do not suggest any immediate action of the State in this direction. That the Legislature should at once and without hesitation, provide the means for enlarging the teaching force of the University in the fields above mentioned, I am most strongly convinced; and that some means should be provided for supplying the needed buildings in the way of dwelling houses, dormitories and dissecting room, is no less apparent.

PRIVATE EMDOWMENT.

I have not thought it necessary to allude to the example of other States, or to the great results reaped by them from liberality in founding and sustaining such institutions as this aims to be. Public liberality has in turn stimulated and quickened private munificence.

In the past few years a constant stream of benefactions has poured into the treasuries of other schools, and although no rivulet has yet reached the West Virginia University, the time cannot be distant when it, too, must share in this liberality. I had hoped that some of the very needs above indicated, especially the Library Building and the Cottages, might be provided by patriotic citizens, anxious to connect their names with the growth and history of their State's highest institution of learning. While admitting her present poverty, the State can justly look forward to the day not very remote when her resources are to make her surpassingly rich. It may be that to day she is, in many sections but "a rough wild land whose crops are men;" but in the next generation her mineral stores, her wealth of timber and her agricultural riches will be coined by intelligence and enterprise into current money. And in the proportion that her University has contributed to this result, by equipping her young men with the knowledge and skill and power necessary for this development, will it ensure their success and receive the grateful return of generous benefaction and ever expanding endowment.

I have thus stated what I conceive to be immediately essential "to secure the successful advancement and prosperity of the University," and to assure a full return from the considerable amount already expended. It is neither economy nor wisdom to spend as much as we do, without the slight increase, which would make that expenditure so much more productive. Supply these deficiencies and we shall have a good school for the present, and a foundation on which a great State seminary may, in time, be erected. We have by solemn legal enactment declared it a University. Necessity and duty alike require that we should maintain it as such. On no other condition can we honestly urge our young men to attend it, or to prefer its advantages to those of like institutions elsewhere. No school, and least of all a State school, can, in my opinion, without dangerous approach

to crime, hold out any promises to young men which it is not able to fulfill with the most exacting good faith.

If our Legislators and men of wealth could see the young men now gathered here, and who are but a few, compared with those who would, under better conditions, come from all parts of the State, there would be no hesitation in the supply of all present necessities. No where else in the country will small expenditures produce so large results. To myself personally it has been a constant and genuine pleasure to see so many of the students rising above early disadvantages and striving by their own unaided efforts to secure education.

Such manly persistence is a good augury for themselves and for their State, and they enter upon life with success half won in the self reliance and power acquired by combat with and triumph over difficulties to which most youths succumb.

STATE UNIVERSITY.

In conclusion I would say that it is of the last importance for a State University to attain a position, where it will be regarded not from the stand-point of locality or section, party or sect, but only from that of citizenship of the State. If it rightfully exists, it exists for all.

Its teachers should be invariably selected on the sole ground of fitness for their respective chairs, united, of course, with exemplary character. Thus none will be discriminated for, but the competent and the moral, and none can be discriminated against but the incompetent and the immoral. And it should receive and welcome to its privileges the youth of the entire State, with that equal and genuine hospitality which decisively precludes any favor or disfavor, on the score of sect or party or section, or indeed any reference thereto. Such references can have no natural or proper connection with its exercises or instruction, nor ever occur but with deliberate and insidious purpose. A State school does not exist to imbue young men with the tenets of party or sect, but only to provide, for all that honest and robust culture that will prepare them to deal with these important and delicate subjects, with independence of thought and integrity of purpose. Impressed with these opinions, and having frequently expressed them, I may be permitted to add that my return, even temporarily, to the University, after the congressional campaign into which I was so suddenly precipitated, was due to what seemed its necessities of instruction, and to the kindly and voluntary urgency of those whose views I supposed fairly representative of conflicting opinion in the State. If there was error in this, I trust it will be visited in censure upon myself, and not in detriment to the University. Such censure I will bear as the necessary consequence of a mistake of judgment, but with the consciousness that I have too high a sense of the trust committed to me, ever to pervert it, in any way meriting the moral displeasure of any citizen of the State.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully your obedient servant,

WM. L. WILSON.